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To authorize the establishment of a memorial within the area in the District of Columbia referred to in the Commemorative Works Act as “Area I” or “Area II” to the victims of terrorist attacks on the United States, to provide for the design and construction of such a memorial, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 2, 2001

Mr. TURNER (for himself, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. NADLER, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. WICKER, Ms. WATERS, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. FROST, Mr. WOLF, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. PITTS, Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota, Mr. WYNN, Mr. KING, Mr. CAMP, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. WALSH, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. GEPHARDT, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. SHIMKUS, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. BACA, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. PASCARELL, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. ROSS, Mr. HILL, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. BERRY, Mr. MATHESON, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. MCINTYRE, Ms. SANCHEZ, Mr. JOHN, Mr. BOYD, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. STENHOLM, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. TANNER, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. GORDON, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. HOYER, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. GREEN of Texas, and Mr. MEEHAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

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area in the District of Columbia referred to in the Commemorative Works Act as “Area I” or “Area II” to the victims of terrorist attacks on the United States, to provide for the design and construction of such a memorial, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION OF MEMORIAL; LOCATION**
 4 **AND DESIGN.**

5 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF MEMORIAL.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish
 7 the Memorial in accordance with this Act, on Fed-
 8 eral lands administered by the National Park Serv-
 9 ice in the District of Columbia.

10 (2) LOCATION.—The Memorial shall be situated
 11 in a location that is—

12 (A) determined by the Commission; and

13 (B) within Area I or Area II (as such
 14 Areas are referred to in the Commemorative
 15 Works Act (40 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.).

16 (b) DUTIES OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL MEMORIAL
 17 COMMISSION AND THE SECRETARY.—The National Cap-
 18 ital Memorial Commission and the Secretary shall assist
 19 the members of the Commission—

20 (1) in determining a permanent location for the
 21 Memorial; and

1 (2) in the selection of a design for the Memorial
2 and the grounds of the Memorial.

3 (c) DETAIL OF DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR EM-
4 PLOYEES.—The Secretary shall detail to the Commission
5 such support staff as are necessary to assist the members
6 of the Commission in carrying out its responsibilities.

7 (d) BEGINNING OF PROCESS.—The Commission shall
8 begin the process of determining a location and selecting
9 a design for the Memorial no later than six months after
10 the date of enactment of this Act.

11 (e) MARKER.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall erect, at
13 the site approved by the Congress for the Memorial,
14 a suitable marker designating the site as the “Fu-
15 ture Site of the Memorial to the Victims of Ter-
16 rorism”.

17 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—The marker shall be—

18 (A) installed by the Secretary no later than
19 three months after the date of the enactment of
20 a law approving the location for the Memorial;

21 (B) no smaller than three feet square and
22 constructed of durable material suitable to the
23 outdoor environment; and

1 (C) maintained at the location by the Sec-
2 retary until the Memorial is completed, dedi-
3 cated, and open to the public.

4 (f) RELATIONSHIP TO THE COMMEMORATIVE WORKS
5 ACT.—The Commemorative Works Act (40 U.S.C. 1001
6 et seq.) shall apply to the Memorial, with the exception
7 of section 3(c) of that Act which shall not apply to the
8 Memorial.

9 **SEC. 2. COMMISSION.**

10 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a com-
11 mission to be known as the Victims of Terrorism Memorial
12 Commission. The Commission shall—

13 (1) be comprised of—

14 (A) the Chairman of the National Capital
15 Memorial Commission;

16 (B) one member appointed by the Speaker
17 of the House of Representatives by no later
18 than six months after the date of the enactment
19 of this Act;

20 (C) one member appointed by the majority
21 leader of the Senate by no later than six
22 months after the date of the enactment of this
23 Act;

24 (D) one member appointed by the minority
25 leader of the House of Representatives by no

1 later than six months after the date of the en-
2 actment of this Act;

3 (E) one member appointed by the minority
4 leader of the Senate by no later than six
5 months after the date of the enactment of this
6 Act; and

7 (F) two members appointed by the Presi-
8 dent by no later than six months after the date
9 of the enactment of this Act;

10 (2) be chaired by one of its members, to be
11 elected at the first meeting of the Commission by a
12 majority of the members of the Commission;

13 (3) meet no later than one month after all of
14 its members are appointed, and at such other times
15 as may be necessary; and

16 (4) be exempt from the Federal Advisory Com-
17 mittee Act (5 U.S.C. App.).

18 (b) DUTIES.—The Commission shall—

19 (1) raise necessary funds from private sector
20 sources to design, construct, and maintain the Me-
21 morial;

22 (2) in cooperation with the National Capital
23 Memorial Commission and the Secretary, determine
24 a permanent location for the Memorial;

1 (3) select a design for the Memorial from pro-
2 posals solicited and accepted from qualified Amer-
3 ican architects; and

4 (4) issue a report to the Congress and the
5 President on its activities every six months after its
6 first meeting, and issue a final report to the Con-
7 gress and the President, including the location and
8 final design for the Memorial, no later than one year
9 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

10 (c) DONATIONS.—The Commission may accept dona-
11 tions on behalf of the United States for the design, con-
12 struction, and maintenance of the Memorial.

13 (d) TERMINATION.—The Commission shall terminate
14 not later than 120 days after completion of the Memorial.

15 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

16 In this Act:

17 (1) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
18 means the “Victims of Terrorism Memorial Commis-
19 sion” established pursuant to section 2.

20 (2) MEMORIAL.—The term “Memorial” means
21 the memorial authorized by this Act.

22 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
23 the Secretary of the Interior.

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